



2008-2009 First Book Survey for Parents

Instructions: This year your local library distributed books and a newsletter each month to your child or children. Please take a few minutes and complete the following survey which asks you about the Read to Me First Book Program. Your feedback is very important to us since we are always looking for ways to better serve you.

1. Name of Community: _____

2. Please circle the number of children you have in each of the following age groups:

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| Newborn to two years | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Three to five years | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Six to eight years | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |

Number of male children who received First Books this year: _____

Number of female children who received First Books this year: _____

3. Please answer all of the following:

| <i>As a result of the First Book program, I</i> | Yes | No |
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| a. spend more time reading with my child/children. | | |
| b. spend more time talking with my child/children about the books I read to them. | | |
| c. spend more time singing with my child/children. | | |
| d. spend more time playing rhyming games with my child/children. | | |
| e. am more likely to use the library to check out books. | | |
| f. am more likely to attend programs at the library. | | |
| g. am more aware of good books to share with my child/children. | | |
| <i>If you only have a child/children age 0-2, please skip to #4</i> | | |
| h. am more likely to ask my child/children questions that will prompt a retelling of a story. | | |
| i. spend more time “playing” with letters with my child/children. | | |
| j. show my child/children the print in signs. | | |

5. What else have you done differently as a result of the First Book program?

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| 6. Please rate the following for usefulness: | Very Useful | Useful | Not Useful |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|--------|------------|
| a. Learning about great books for my child/children. | | | |
| b. Learning things I can do at home to help my child/children get ready to read. | | | |
| c. Learning rhymes and songs that will help my child develop early literacy skills. | | | |
| d. Learning about library resources I can use with my child/children | | | |
| e. The free books provided. | | | |
| f. The Bookworm Newsletter. | | | |
| g. Please list other aspects of the First Book program and rate them for usefulness: | | | |

7. Did you attend a reading event hosted by your library this year? ____ Yes ____ No

If yes, please tell us what event or events you attended: _____

8. If you did attend an event, did you learn new and useful information at the event?
 ____ Yes ____ No

Comments:

9. Overall, how satisfied were you with the First Book program?

Very satisfied

Satisfied

Not Satisfied

10. In order to make the First Book program better, I suggest:

11. Please check one of the following:

_____ I received a library card as a result of the First Book program.

_____ I already had a library card before this program.

_____ I did not get a library card.

Your comments are important. The Idaho Commission for Libraries would like to call you for follow-up comments in three or four months. All comments will remain confidential. If that is okay with you, please list your name and phone number(s).

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Thank you!